

5 MUDDY FORK, ELK COUNTY

6 PENNSYLVANIA

2 BUZZARD SWAMP WATERFOWL AREA

3 NO. 6 DAM NDI I.D. PA- 1007 DER I.D. 24-51

OWNER: PENNSYLVANIA GAME COMMISSION

PHASE I INSPECTION REPORT

NATIONAL DAM INSPECTION PROGRAM

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PREFACE

This report is prepared under guidance contained in the Recommended Guidelines for Safety Inspection of Dams, for Phase I Investigations. Copies of these guidelines may be obtained from the Department of the Army, Office of Chief of Engineers, Washington, D.C. 20314.

The purpose of a Phase I investigation is to identify expeditiously those dams which may pose hazards to human life or property. The assessment of the general condition of a dam is based upon visual observations and review of available data. Detailed investigations and analyses involving topographic mapping, subsurface investigations, material testing, and detailed computational evaluations are beyond the scope of a Phase I investigation. However, the Phase I inspection is intended to identify any need for such studies which should be performed by the owner.

In reviewing this report, it should be realized that the reported condition of the dam is based on observations of field conditions at the time of inspection along with data available to the inspection team. In cases where the reservoir was lowered or drained prior to inspection, such action, while improving the stability of the dam, removes the normal load on the structure and may obscure certain conditions which might otherwise be detectable if inspected under the normal operating environment of the structure.

It is important to note that the condition of the dam depends on numerous and constantly changing internal and external factors which are evolutionary in nature. It would be incorrect to assume that the present condition of the dam will continue to represent the condition of the dam at some point in the future. Only through frequent inspections can unsafe conditions be detected and only through continued care and maintenance can these conditions be prevented or corrected.

Phase I inspections are not intended to provide detailed hydrologic and hydraulic analyses. In accordance with the established Guidelines, the spillway design flood is based on the estimated "Probable Maximum Flood" for the region (greatest reasonably possible storm runoff), or fractions thereof. The spillway design flood provides a measure of relative spillway capacity and serves as an aid in determining the need for more detailed hydrologic and hydraulic studies, considering the size of the dam, its general condition and the downstream damage potential.

The assessment of the conditions and the recommendations were made by the consulting engineer in accordance with generally and currently accepted engineering principles and practices. Approved for public release;
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NAME OF DAM: Buzzard Swamp Waterfowl Area No. 6 Dam

STATE LOCATED: Pennsylvania

COUNTY LOCATED: Elk

STREAM: Muddy Fork, a tributary of the East Branch of Millstone Creek

SIZE CLASSIFICATION: Intermediate HAZARD CLASSIFICATION: Significant OWNER: Pennsylvania Game Commission

DATE OF INSPECTION: July 17, 1981 and July 31, 1981

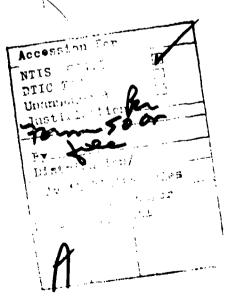
ASSESSMENT: Based on the visual inspection and the evaluation of available information, the Buzzard Swamp Waterfowl Area No. 6 Dam is considered to be in good condition. At the time of inspection, no conditions were observed that would adversely affect the overall performance of the structure.

According to the recommended criteria, small dams in the significant hazard category are required to pass between the 100-year flood and 50 percent of the Probable Maximum Flood (PMF). The analysis showed that the spillway was capable of accommodating the upper limit of the spillway design flood, 50 percent of the PMF. Therefore, the spillway capacity is considered to be adequate.

The following actions are recommended for implementation as soon as possible or on a continuing basis;

- Around-the-clock surveillance should be provided during unusually heavy rainfall and/or runoff.

 In addition, a formal warning system should be devised to provide for alerting downstream residents in the event of an emergency;
 - 2. The dam and appurtenant structures should be inspected regularly and necessary maintenance should be performed on a regular basis.



Assessment - Buzzard Swamp Waterfowl Area No. 6 Dam

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Upstream Face



Downstream Face

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PHASE I REPORT NATIONAL DAM INSPECTION PROGRAM BUZZARD SWAMP WATERFOWL AREA NO. 6 DAM NDI I.D. PA-1007 DER I.D. 024-051

SECTION 1 PROJECT INFORMATION

1.1 General

- a. Authority. The inspection was performed pursuant to the authority granted by the National Dam Inspection Act, Public Law 92-367, to the Secretary of the Army, through the Corps of Engineers, to conduct inspections of dams throughout the United States.
- b. Purpose. The purpose of this inspection is to determine if the dam constitutes a hazard to human life or property.

1.2 Description of Project

a. Dam and Appurtenances. The Buzzard Swamp Waterfowl Area No. 6 Dam consists of an earth embankment approximately 700 feet long, with a crest width of about 10 feet, and a maximum height of approximately 29 feet relative to its downstream toe. The upstream and dowstream embankment faces are covered with grass and are constructed on slopes of 3 horizontal to 1 vertical and 2 horizontal to 1 vertical, respectively.

The flood discharge facilities at the dam consist of a weir type primary spillway equipped with stop-logs located near the midpoint of the dam and a grass-lined, trapezoidal open-channel emergency spillway on the left abutment (looking downstream). The available design drawings indicate that the low level outlet is an 18-inch-diameter ductile iron pipe which extends through the embankment along the original stream bed and terminates at the downstream toe of the dam. Flow through the pipe is controlled by a valve whose stem extends to the upstream slope of the dam. The lake can be drawn down partially by removing the spillway stop-logs and the remaining volume can be drained through the low level outlet facility.

- b. Location. Buzzard Swamp Waterfowl Area No. 6 Dam is located on Muddy Fork approximately 1.5 miles upstream from its confluence with the East Branch of Millstone Creek in Millstone Township, Elk County, Pennsylvania (N41° 26.5', W79° 03.5'). Plate 1 illustrates the location of the dam.
- c. Size Classification. Intermediate (based on 29-foot height, and approximately 1,164 acre-feet maximum storage capacity).

- d. Hazard Classification. The dam is classified as a significant hazard. Downstream from the dam, Muddy Fork, the East Branch of Millstone Creek, and Millstone Creek flow through an uninhabited valley for approximately nine miles prior to joining the Clarion River. One vacation cabin located about 1.5 miles downstream from the dam (near the conflictnoe of Muddy Fork with the East Branch of Millstone Creek) and the Loleta Recreational Area located approximately 5.5 miles downstream from the dam along the East Branch of Millstone Creek constitute the main areas of impact for a flood resulting from the failure of the dam. It is estimated that a secondary highway located near the Loleta Recreational Area would also be damaged if dam failure occured. It is estimated that failure of the dam might cause loss of a few lives and some property damage in these downstream areas.
- e. Ownership. Mr. Glenn L. Bowers, Executive Director, Pennsylvania Game Commission, Box 1567, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17120.
 - f. Furpose of Dam. Waterfowl conservation.
- g. Design and Construction History. The dam was designed in 1969 by L. Robert Kimball, Consulting Engineers, of Ebensburg, Pennsylvania. Wagner and Hartle, Inc. (R.D. No. 1, Shippensville, Pennsylvania 16254) began dam construction in the summer of 1969 and completed the facility in August of 1971.
- h. Normal Operating Procedure. The reservoir is normally regulated by the addition or removal of stop-logs at the primary spillway weir. According to the owner, the spillway or stop-log crest is set at about Elevation 1620 during the winter season and is lowered to approximately Elevation 1618 for the summer season. Thus, the available freeboard relative to the low spot on the dam crest is approximately seven feet during the winter and about nine feet during the summer. Normal excess reservoir inflows are discharged over the crest of the primary spillway stop-logs. Larger reservoir inflows are discharged through the 225-foot-wide emergency spillway.
- 1.3 Pertinent Data. Elevations referred to in this and subsequent sections of the report were calculated based on approximate field measurments, assuming the emergency spillway crest to be at Elevation 1623.0. Elevation 1623.0 is the average emergency spillway crest elevation shown on the available as-built drawings.
 - a. Drainage Area

2.7 square miles(1)

⁽¹⁾Planimetered from the USGS topographic map and shown in state files.

b. Discharge at Dam Site (cfs)

	Maximum known flood at dam site Outlet conduit at maximum pool Gated spillway capacity at maximum pool Primary spillway capacity at maximum pool Total spillway capacity at maximum pool	Unknown Unknown Not applicable 680 (with stop-logs in place - winter pool) 890 (without stop- logs - summer pool) 5524 (with stop-logs in place - winter pool) 5795 (without stop- logs - summer pool)
c.	Elevation (feet)	
	Top of dam Maximum pool Normal pool Upstream invert of outlet works Downstream invert of outlet works Maximum tailwater Toe of dam	1627.0 (design) 1627.2 (measured low spot) 1627.2 1620* (winter) 1618* (summer) 1600.0 (design) 1598* Unknown 1598*
d.	Reservoir Length (feet)	
	Normal pool level (at winter pool Elevation 1620) Maximum pool level	4100 <u>+</u> 4400 <u>+</u>
e.	Storage (acre-feet)	
	Normal pool level (at winter pool Elevation 1620)	293
f.	Maximum pool level Reservoir Surface (acres)	1164
	Normal pool level (at winter pool Elevation 1620) Maximum pool level	66 186 *
g.	Dam	
	Type Length	Earth embankment 700 feet

Zoning No Impervious core No Cutoff No Grout curtain No

h. Regulating Outlet

Type

Length
Closure
Access
Regulating facilities

18-inch-diameter
ductile iron pipe
150 teet
Upstream gate valve
Dam crest
Upstream gate valve
with stem extending
to upstream slope.

i.	Spillway	Primary:	Emergency:
	Type	Stop-log weir with concrete discharge channel	Grass-lined, trapezoidal-shaped open channel
	Crest length	10 feet	215 feet (as measured)(2)
	Crest elevation	1620 (winter) 1618 (summer)	1623 ± (as measured)
	Upstream channel	. Lake	Grass-lined channel
	Downstream channel	10-foot-wide reinforced con- crete channel which transports discharge to a reinforced concrete energy dissipator (impact basin).	Grass-lined channel

⁽²⁾ Design spillway width is 210.0 feet.

SECTION 2 DESIGN DATA

2.1 Design

- a. Data Available. The available data consist of files provided by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Department of Environmental Resources (PennDER), which contain design drawings, correspondence, construction progress and inspection reports, and inspection photographs. A report entitled "Engineering Report on Buzzard Waterfowl Area Impoundments No. 1, 4, 5 and 6," dated 1969, prepared by L. Robert Kimball Consulting Engineers, Ebensburg, Pennsylvania, includes engineering calculations and construction specifications.
- (1) Hydrology and Hydraulics. The available information includes the design capacities of the spillways, the normal pool reservoir surface area, the reservoir drainage area, and the hydrologic design criteria.
- (2) Embankment. The available information consists of various design and as-built drawings, design calculations, construction progress reports, and previous state inspection reports.
- (3) Appurtenant Structures. The available information consists of design and as-built drawings, and design calculations.

b. Design Features

- (1) Embankment. Plates 2 and 3 illustrate the plan of the reservoir and of the embankment, respectively. As shown on Plate 4, the dam is a homogeneous embankment designed to have a 3H:1V upstream slope, a 2H:1V downstream slope, and a 12-foot crest width.
- (2) Appurtenant Structures. The appurtenant structures of the dam consist of primary and emergency spillways and a low level outlet as shown on Plates 3, 5, 6, and 7. The primary spillway consists of a concrete overflow structure equipped with stop-logs located near the midpoint of the dam and discharging into a ten-foot-wide reinforced concrete channel. The concrete channel directs flow to a reinforced concrete energy dissipator (impact basin) located at the toe level of the embankment. A concrete cutoff wall and concrete cutoff fins were provided for the primary spillway (at the centerline of the embankment alignment). The uncontrolled primary spillway crest is at Elevation 1615. Above this level, the overflow level can be adjusted by adding or removing stop-logs. According to the current operating procedure, normal pool is maintained at Elevation 1620 during winters and at Elevation 1618 during summers.

The emergency spillway was designed as a 210-foot-wide, grass-lined, trapezoidal open channel located on the left abutment. The design crest level was at Elevation 1624, about four feet above the winter normal pool level.

The low level outlet consists of an 18-inch-diameter ductile iron pipe with closure provided by an 18-inch-diameter gate valve near the upstream end of the pipe. Antiseep collars were provided along the length of the outlet pipe downstream from the valve.

c. Design Data

- (1) Hydrology and Hydraulics. The 1969 engineer's report indicates that the emergency spillway was sized to meet the state's "C" curve criteria. The required capacity was reported to be 3200 cfs. Further, it was noted that sufficient storage was provided between the normal pool and the emergency spillway crest to store the runoff associated with a 100-year flood. At winter normal pool level, the capacity of the primary spillway is noted to be 240 cfs.
- (2) Embankment. Plate 2 shows the plan of the reservoir. The embankment was designed as a homogenous fill with a 3H: IV upstream slope and a 2H: IV downstream slope. Plate 3 provides information as to the depth and extent of the cutoff trench in addition to listing the estimated site excavation and embankment fill quantities. Typical cross sections of the dam are included in Plate 4. The 1969 engineer's report indicates that a materials investigation and engineering analysis was conducted to size the embankment.
- (3) Appurtenant Structures. Available information includes structural calculations for the primary spillway structure. The primary spillway sidewalls were designed as cantilevered retaining walls. Plates 5 through 7 include the details of the primary spillway structures. Typical cross sections of the emergency spillway are shown in Plate 8.
- 2.2 Construction. It is reported that the dam was constructed in accordance with the drawings and specifications under the supervision of the design engineer's field representative. The construction progress reports available in the files provide information relative to the compressive strengths of the actual concrete mixes used in constructing the appurtenant structures. No reports were found to indicate any major postconstruction changes to the dam structure.
- 2.3 Operation. There are no formal operating records maintained for the dam. The normal reservoir water level is regulated by the addition or removal of stop-logs to the primary spillway structure.
- 2.4 Other Investigations. None reported.

2.5 Evaluation

a. Availability. The available information was provided by PennDER.

b. Adequacy

(1) Hydrology and Hydraulics. The available information is not considered to be sufficient to assess the adequacy of the spillways.

- (2) Embankment. Available information indicates that the design of the embankment includes materials investigation and engineering analysis. The design, in general, is considered to be in conformance with currently accepted engineering practices.
- (3) Appurtenant Structures. Review of the design drawings indicate that the appurtenant structures are designed and constructed in conformance with currently accepted engineering practice.

SECTION 3 VISUAL INSPECTION

3.1 Findings

- a. General. The onsite inspection of Buzzard Swamp Waterfowl Area No. 6 Dam consisted of:
 - 1. The visual inspection of the embankment, abutments, and embankment toe.
 - 2. The visual examination of the spillways and the visible portions of the outlet works.
 - 3. The evaluation of the downstream area hazard potential.

The specific observations are illustrated on Plate 9.

b. <u>Embankment</u>. The general inspection of the embankment consisted of searching for indications of structural distress, such as cracks, subsidence, bulging, wet areas, seeps and boils, and observing the general maintenance conditions, vegetative cover, erosion, and other surficial features.

In general, the condition of the dam is considered to be good. The downstream embankment slope and crost areas are covered with grass and were found to be adequately maintained.

The dam crest was surveyed relative to the emergency spillway crest elevation and was found to be at or above the design level. The lowest embankment area occurred at a section near the right abutment. The dam crest profile, according to field measurements, is illustrated on Plate 10.

c. Appurtenant Structures. The appurtenant structures were examined for deterioration or other signs of distress and for obstructions that might limit their flow capacities. In general, the structures were found to be in good condition.

The owner reported that the low level outlet pipe valve is operated annually. However, operation of the valve was not observed.

d. Reservoir Area. A map review indicates that the watershed is predominantly covered by woodlands and swamp. No signs of landslide activity were found in the vicinity of the reservoir. A review of the regional geology is included in Appendix F.

- e. <u>Downstream Channel</u>. Downstream from the dam, Muddy Fork flows approximately 1.5 miles through an uninhabited valley prior to joining the East Branch of Millstone Creek. A further description of the downstream conditions is included in Section 1.2 d.
- 3.2 Evaluation. The Buzzard Swamp Waterfowl Area No. 6 Dam was found to be in good condition and adequately maintained. The operational condition of the low level outlet pipe was not observed; however, the owner reports that the regulating valve is operated annually.

SECTION 4 OPERATIONAL FEATURES

- 4.1 Procedure. Although a formal operations manual is not available, the reservoir is reportedly maintained at about Elevation 1620 during the winter months and at about Elevation 1618 during the summer months. Normal reservoir levels are regulated by the addition or removal of stop-logs at the principal spillway structure. Normal reservoir inflows are discharged over the principal spillway with larger reservoir inflows discharged through the unregulated emergency spillway. Operation of the low level outlet valve is reportedly done annually to ensure operability.
- 4.2 <u>Maintenance of the Dam</u>. The maintenance of the dam is considered to be good. The crest and slopes of the dam are covered with grass and are adequately maintained.
- 4.3 Maintenance of Operating Facilities. Both the stop-logs and the visible portions of the low level outlet regulating system appear to be well maintained. However, the actual operational condition of the low level outlet valve was not observed.
- 4.4 Warning System. No formal warning system exists for the dam.
- 4.5 Evaluation. The overall maintenance condition of the dam is considered to be good. Operation of the low level outlet valve should continue on at least the reported annual basis to ensure operability.

SECTION 5 HYDRAULICS AND HYDROLOGY

5.1 Evaluation of Features

- a. Design Data. The Buzzard Swamp Waterfowl Area No. 6 Dam drains a watershed area of 2.7 square miles and impounds a reservoir with a surface area of 66 acres at normal winter pool Elevation 1620. The flood discharge facilities for the dam consist of a 215-foot-wide, grass-lined, trapezoidal emergency spillway channel located on the left abutment and a primary spillway structure located near the midpoint of the dam. The primary spillway structure is comprised of a stop-log weir which discharges into a ten-foot-wide concrete channel. The combined spillway capacity was estimated to be 5130 cfs with stop-logs in place and 5370 cfs with the stop-logs removed, based on the available freeboard relative to the low spot on the dam. Design data indicates that the capacity of the primary spillway, with the reservoir at winter normal pool level, is 240 cfs.
- b. Experience Data. As previously stated, the Buzzard Swamp Waterfowl Area No. 6 Dam is classified as an intermediate dam in the significant hazard category. According to the recommended criteria for evaluating spillway discharge capacities, such impoundments are required to pass a flood whose magnitude ranges between one-half and full PMF. In view of the height and storage capacity of this dam which correspond to the lower limits within the intermediate size classification, one-half PMF is considered to be the appropriate spillway design flood.

The PMF inflow hydrograph for the reservoir was determined utilizing the Dam Safety Version of the HEC-1 computer program developed by the Hydrologic Engineering Center of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. The data used for the computer analysis are presented in Appendix D. The one-half PMF inflow hydrograph was found to have a peak value of 2800 cfs. The computer input and a summary of the computer output are also included in Appendix D.

- c. <u>Visual Observations</u>. On the date of inspection, no conditions were observed that would indicate that the spillway capacity would be significantly reduced during the passage of a large flood.
- d. Overtopping Potential. The available spillway capacity was found to be greater than the design flood peak of one-half PMF. Further, various percentages of the PMF inflow hydrograph were routed through the reservoir to determine the maximum percent of the PMF inflow that the dam could pass without overtopping the embankment. The computer analysis indicated that the spillway can accommodate the full PMF without overtopping. The PMF inflow will result in a maximum water surface level of approximately Elevation 1627.1 within the reservoir, leaving approximately 0.1 foot of freeboard below the measured low spot of the dam.

e. 12 way Adequacy. The available spillway capacity was found to be in excess of the recommended spillway design capacity requirements. Therefore, the spillway is considered to be adequate.

SECTION 6 STRUCTURAL STABILITY

6.1 Evaluation of Structural Stability

a. Visual Observations

- (1) Embankment. As discussed in Section 3, field observations did not reveal any signs of distress that would adversely affect the performance of the structure at this time. In addition, no unsatisfactory conditions have been reported in the past.
 - (2) Appurtenant Structures. No conditions were observed that would adversely affect the structural performance of the appurtenant structures.

b. Design and Construction Data

- (1) Embankment. The available design and construction information indicates that the dam was designed based on the evaluation of subsurface conditions, materials testing, and engineering analysis. The safety factor against sliding for the uownstream slope is reported to be 2.8. It appears that the analysis is based on assumed soil strength values. Based on visual observations, the structural stability of the embankment is considered to be adequate.
- (2) Appurtenant Structures. A review of the design drawings indicates that there are no apparent structural deficiencies that would significantly affect the performance of the appurtenant structures.
 - c. Operating Records. Not maintained.
- d. Postconstruction Changes. There have been no reported post-construction modifications to the original design.
- e. Seismic Stability. The dam is located in Seismic Zone 1, and based on visual observations, the static stability of the dam is considered to be adequate. Therefore, based on the recommended criteria for the evaluation of seismic stability of dams, the structure is presumed to present no hazard as a result of earthquakes.

SECTION 7 ASSESSMENT AND RECOMMENDATIONS/PROPOSED REMEDIAL MEASURES

7.1 Dam Assessment

a. Assessment. Visual observations indicate that the condition of Bussard Swamp Waterfowl Area No. 6 Dam is good. At the time of inspection, no conditions were observed that would adversely affect the overall performance of the structure.

According to the recommended criteria, small dams in the significant hazard category are required to pass between the 100-year flood to 50 percent of the PMF. The analysis showed that the spillway was capable of accommodating the upper limit of the spillway design flood, 50 percent of the PMF. Therefore, the spillway capacity is considered to be adequate.

- b. Adequacy of Information. The available information, in conjunction with the visual observations, is considered to be sufficient to make a Phase I evaluation.
- c. Urgency. The following actions are recommended for implementation as soon as possible, or on a continuing basis.
- d. Necessity for Additional Investigations. No additional investigations are considered to be required at this time.

7.2 Recommendations/Remedial Measures. It is recommended that:

- 1. Around-the-clock surveillance should be provided during unusually heavy rainfall and/or runoff. In addition, a formal warning system should be devised to provide for alerting downstream residents in the event of an emergency.
- 2. The dam and appurtenant structures should be inspected regularly and necessary maintenance should be performed on a regular basis.

APPENDIX A

CHECKLIST

VISUAL INSPECTION

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CHECKLIST VISUAL INSPECTION PHASE I

STATE Pennsylvania 1D# DER: 024-051	y Significant	TEMPERATURE 60	TAILWATER AT TIME OF INSPECTION N/A M.S.L.					RECORDER
COUNTY E1k STAT	HAZARD CATEGORY Significant	WEATHER Sunny TEMP	ION 1618.7 M.S.L. TAILWATER	REVIEW INSPECTION PERSONNEL: (July 31, 1981)	Lawrence D. Andersen, P.E.	James H. Poellot, P.E.	Wah-Tak Chan, P.E.	Wah-Tak Chan, P.E.
Buzzard Swamp NAME OF DAM Waterfowl Area No. 6 Dam	TYPE OF DAM Earth	DATE(S) INSPECTION July 17, 1981	POOL ELEVATION AT TIME OF INSPECTION	INSPECTION PERSONNEL:	Wah-Tak Chan, P.E.	Bilgin Erel, P.E.		Owner's Representative: Mr. Donald Perr Land Management Supervisor

VISUAL INSPECTION PHASE I EMBANKMENT

VISUAL EXAMINATION OF	OBSERVATIONS	REMARKS OR RECOMMENDATIONS
SURFACE CRACKS	None observed.	·
UNUSUAL MOVEMENT OR CRACKING AT OR BEYOND THE TOE	None observed.	
SLOUGHING OR EROSION OF EMBANKMENT AND ABUTHENT SLOPES	None observed,	
VERTICAL AND HORIZONTAL ALIGNMENT OF THE CREST	See Plate 10 for dam crest profile.	
RIPRAP FAILURES	Some riprap protection on the upstream slope.	

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	REMARKS OR RECOMMENDATIONS	•			·	
VISUAL INSPECTION PHASE I EMBANKMENT	OBSERVATIONS	No problems observed.	None observed.	None	None	
	VISUAL EXAMINATION OF	JUNCTION OF EMBANKMENT AND ABUTHENT, SPILLWAY AND DAM	ANY NOTICEABLE SEEPAGE	STAFF GAGE AND RECORDER	DRAINS	

VISUAL INSPECTION
PHASE I
OUTLET WORKS

REMARKS OF RECOMMENDATIONS				·	
OBSPRVATIONS	No problems observed.	Submerged, not observed.	Outlet structure is partially submerged in plunge pool, no problems observed.	Earth channel, no problems observed.	Owner reported that the gate valve for the 18-inch- diameter drainpipe is operated annually.
UTCHAT PYAMINATION OF	CRACKING AND SPALLING OF CONCRETE SURFACES IN OUTLET CONDUIT	INTAKE STRUCTURE	OUTLET STRUCTURE	OUTLET CHANNEL	EMERGENCY GATE

VISUAL INSPECTION PHASE I UNGATED SPILLMAY

VISUAL EXAMINATION OF	OBSERVATIONS	REMARKS OR RECOMMENDATIONS
CONCRETE WEIR	The emergency spillway consists of a 225-foot-wide grass-lined, trapezoidal-shaped open channel. It appears to be in satisfactory condition.	
APPROACH CHANNEL	Grass-lined open channel, no problems observed.	
DISCHARGE CHANNEL	Grass-lined open channel in good condition.	
BRIDGE AND PIERS	None	
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VISUAL INSPECTION PHASE I GATED SPILLWAY

REMARKS OR RECOMMENDATIONS	9				ion.
OBSERVATIONS	Primary spillway consists of a stop-log weir structure which discharges into a 10-foot-wide concrete channel. The spillway appears to be in satisfactory condition.	Lake	Concrete discharge channel transports flow to a reinforced concrete energy dissipator (impact basin) prior to discharging into a natural earth channel. Discharge channel and impact basin appear to be in good condition.	None	Wooden stop-logs can be added or removed manually from dam crest. System appears to be in operating condition.
VISUAL EXAMINATION OF	CONCRETE SILL	APPROACH CHANNEL	DISCHARGE CHANNEL	BRIDGE PIERS	GATES AND OPERATION EQUIPMENT

VISUAL INSPECTION PHASE I INSTRUMENTATION

REMARKS OR RECOMMENDATIONS				·	
OBSERVATIONS	None	None	None	None	None
VISITAL EXAMINATION OF	HONUMENTATION/SURVEYS	OBSERVATION WELLS	WEIRS	PIEZOMETERS	отнек

VISUAL INSPECTION PHASE i RESERVOIR

	REMARKS OR RECOMMENDATIONS		·	
KESEKVOIK	OBSERVATIONS	The area surrounding the lake is flat swampland. No problems observed.	Unknown	Several small ponds and lakes are located upstream from the dam in the swamp area. The three nearest lakes are formed behind earth embankments which range in height from 10 to 12 feet.
	VISUAL EXAMINATION OF	SLOPES	SEDIMENTATION	UPSTREAM RESERVOIRS

VISUAL INSPECTION
PHASE I
DOWNSTREAM CHANNEL

REMARKS OR RECOMMENDATIONS					•
OBSERVATIONS	No problems observed.	No problems observed.	One recreational campsite is located five miles downstream from the dam. Population varies with the season of the year.		
VISUAL EXAMINATION OF	CONDITION (OBSTRUCTIONS, DEBRIS, ETC.)	SLOPES	APPROXIMATE NUMBER OF HOMES AND POPULATION	-	

APPENDIX B

CHECKLIST

ENGINEERING DATA

DESIGN, CONSTRUCTION, OPERATION
AND HYDROLOGIC AND HYDRAULIC
PHASE 1

APPENDIX B

CHECKLIST
ENGINEERING DATA
DESIGN, CONSTRUCTION, OPERATION
PHASE I

Buzzard Swamp NAME OF DAM Waterfowl Area No.

ID# NDI: PA-1007
DER: 024-051

Мат	REMARKS
AS-BUILT DRAWINGS	See Plates 3, 5, 6, and 8.
REGIONAL VICINITY MAP	See Plate 1.
CONSTRUCTION HISTORY	Dam was designed by L. Robert Kimball, Consulting Engineers of Ebensburg, Pennsylvania in 1969. Wagner and Hartle, Inc. of Shippensville, Pennsylvania started construction of the dam in 1969 and completed the facility in August 1971.
TYPICAL SECTIONS OF DAM	See Plates 4 and 8.
OUTLETS - PLAN - DETAILS - CONSTRAINTS - DISCHARGE RATINGS	See Plates 3, 6, and 7.

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ITEM RAINFALL/RESERVOIR RECORDS	None reported
DESIGN REPORTS	None available.
GEOLOGY REPORTS	None available.
DESIGN COMPUTATIONS HYCROLOGY & HYDRAULICS DAM STABILITY SEEPAGE STUDIES	Some hydrologic design criteria and the design spillway capacities are given in PennDER files in "Report Upon the Application of the Pennsylvania Game Commission," dated May 6, 1969.
MATERIALS INVESTIGATIONS BORING RECORDS LABORATORY FIELD	Some materials testing results for upstream dam sites are available in PennDER files.

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CHECKLIST ENGINEERING DATA DESIGN, CONSTRUCTION, OPERATION PHASE I

Mari	REMARKS
POST CONSTRUCTION ENGINEERING STUDIES AND REPORTS	None
PRIOR ACCIDENTS OR FAILURE OF DAM DESCRIPTION REPORTS	None reported.
MAINTENANCE OPERATION RECORDS	None recorded.
SPILLWAY PLAN SECTIONS DETAILS	See Plates 3, 5, and 6.
OPERATING EQUIPMENT PLANS AND DETAILS	See Plates 5 and 7.

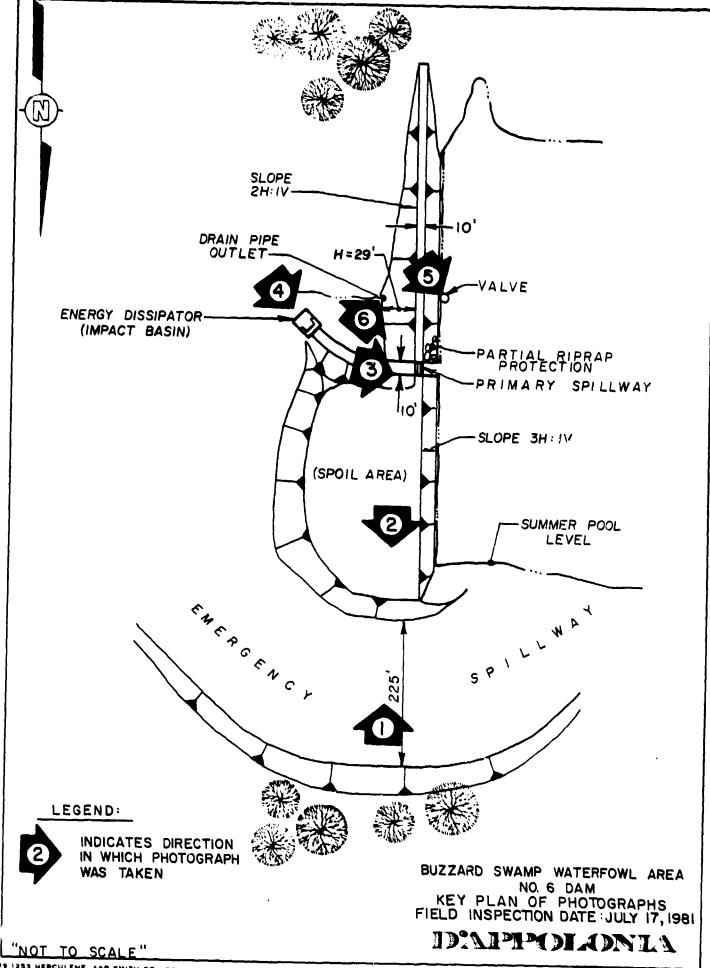
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DRAINAGE AREA CHARACTERISTICS: 2,71 square miles, woodlands and swamplands
ELEVATION, TOP OF NORMAL POOL AND STORAGE CAPACITY: 1620 (winter pool, 293 acre-
ELEVATION, TOP OF FLOOD CONTROL POOL AND STORAGE CAPACITY: 1623 (553 acre-feet)
ELEVATION, MAXIMUM DESIGN POOL: 1627
ELEVATION, TOP OF DAM: 1627.2 (measured low spot)
SPILLWAY: (Primary)
a. Elevation Varies from 1615 to 1627; summer pool 1618: winter pool 1620
b. Type Stop-log weir structure which discharges into a concrete channel
c. Width 10 feet (perpendicular to flow)
d. Length 160± feet
e. Location Spillover <u>Midpoint of dam</u>
f. Number and Type of Gates 10-foot-wide wooden stop-logs, number varies
with season of the year SPILLWAY: (Emergency)
a. Elevation 1623
b. Type Grass-lined, trapezoidal-shaped open channel
c. Width 215 feet (perpendicular to flow)
d Toronth 600t foot
e. Location Spillover Left Abutment
f. Number and Type of Gates None
OUTLET WORKS:
a. Type 18-inch-diameter ductile iron pipe
b. Location Near midpoint of the embankment, along the original stream
c. Entrance Inverts 1600.0 (design) alignment
d. Exit Inverts 1598
e. Emergency Drawdown Facilities which extends to the embendment areas
HYDROMETEOROLOGICAL GAGES: level. (Primary spillway can also be used for emergency drawdown to El. 1615.)
a. Type None
b. Location N/A
c. Records None recorded
MAXIMUM NONDAMAGING DISCHARGE: Calculated spillway capacity = 5524 cfs (stop-loga
Note: Elevation Datum, USGS. in place)

APPENDIX C **PHOTOGRAPHS**

LIST OF PHOTOGRAPHS BUZZARD SWAMP WATERFOWL AREA NO. 6 DAM NDI I.D. NO. PA-1007 JULY 17, 1981

PHOTOGRAPH NO.	DESCRIPTION
1	Embankment and emergency spillway crests (looking south).
2	Emergency spillway crest (looking north).
3	Primary spillway and discharge channel (looking northwest).
4	Primary spillway energy dissipator (impact basin).
5	Drainpipe blowoff valve wheel located on the dam crest.
6	Drainpipe outlet.
7	Small recreational reservoir located five miles downstream.
8	Recreational campground located five miles downstream.



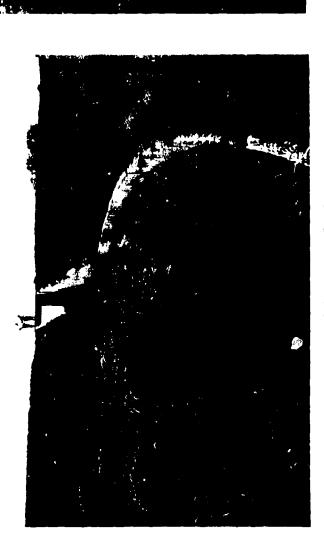
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PHOTOGRAPH NO. 1



PHOTOGRAPH NO. 2



PHOTOGRAPH NO. 3



PHOTOGRAPH NO. 6

PHOTOGRAPH NO 5



PHOTOGRAPH NO.7

APPENDIX D
HYDROLOGY AND HYDRAULICS ANALYSES

HYDROLOGY AND HYDRAULIC ANALYSIS

NAME OF DAM: Buzzard Swamp No. 6 Dam

PROBABLE MAXIMUM PRECIPITATION (PMP) = 23.2 INCHES/24 HOURS

STATION	1	2	3	4	5
Station Description	Lake	Dam			
Drainage Area (square miles)	2.71	- '			
Cumulative Drainage Area (square miles)	2.71	2.71			
Adjustment of PMF for Drainage Area (%)(1)				· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
6 Hours	117	-			{
12 Hours	126	-			
24 Hours	140	-			1
48 Hours	151	-			j
72 Hours	-	-			
Snyder Hydrograph Parameters					
Zone(2)	24	-			İ
c _p /c _t (3)	0.45/1.6	-			ļ
L (miles)(4)	2.9	-			ĺ
L _{cs} (miles) ⁽⁴⁾	1.0	-			
$t_p = C_t(L \cdot L_{c_0})^{0.3}$ (hours)	2.20	-			
Spillway Data		Primary w/o stop-logs	Primary with stop-logs	Emergency	
Crest Length (ft)	-	10	10	215	
Freeboard (ft)	-	7.2	9.2	4.2]
Discharge Coefficient	-	3.2	3.2	2.65	
Exponent	-	1.5	1.5	1.5	1

STORAGE VS. ELEVATION

ELEVATION	ah, feet	AREA (acres)(1)	AVOLUME (acre-feet) ⁽²⁾	STORAGE (acre-feet)
1605 1610	5	1.1	19.3	<u> </u>
1615	5	20.6	67.9	87.2
1620 (normal pool)	5	56.0	205.8 513.6	293.0
1625 1630	5	144.5 234.7	938.9	806.6 1745.5

⁽¹⁾ Planimetered from USGS maps.

⁽¹⁾ Hydrometeorological Report 40, U.S. Weather Bureau, 1965.
(2) Hydrological zone defined by Corps of Engineers, Baltimore District, for determining Snyder's Coefficients (Cp and Ct).
(3) Snyder's Coefficients.

⁽⁴⁾ L = Length of longest water course from outlet to basin divide.

Lca = Length of water course from outlet to point opposite the centroid of drainage area.

⁽²⁾ $\Delta \text{Volume} = \Delta H/3 (A_1 + A_2 + \sqrt{A_1 A_2}).$

FLOOD HYDROGRAPH PACYAGE (HEC-1)
DAM SAFETY VERSION JULY 1978
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COMPITER INPUT OVERTOPPING ANALYSIS

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PEAK FLOU AND STORAGE (END OF PERIOD) SUMMARY FOR MULTIPLE PLAM-RATIO ECONOMIC CGMPUTATIONS Flous in cubic feet per second (cubic meters per second) Area in Square Miles (square Kilometers)

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LOUS Ratio 5 -60	3362.	2930.
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RATIO 2	1681.	1425.
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AREA	2.71	2.71 7.021
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OPERATION	HYDROGRAPH AT	ROUTED TO

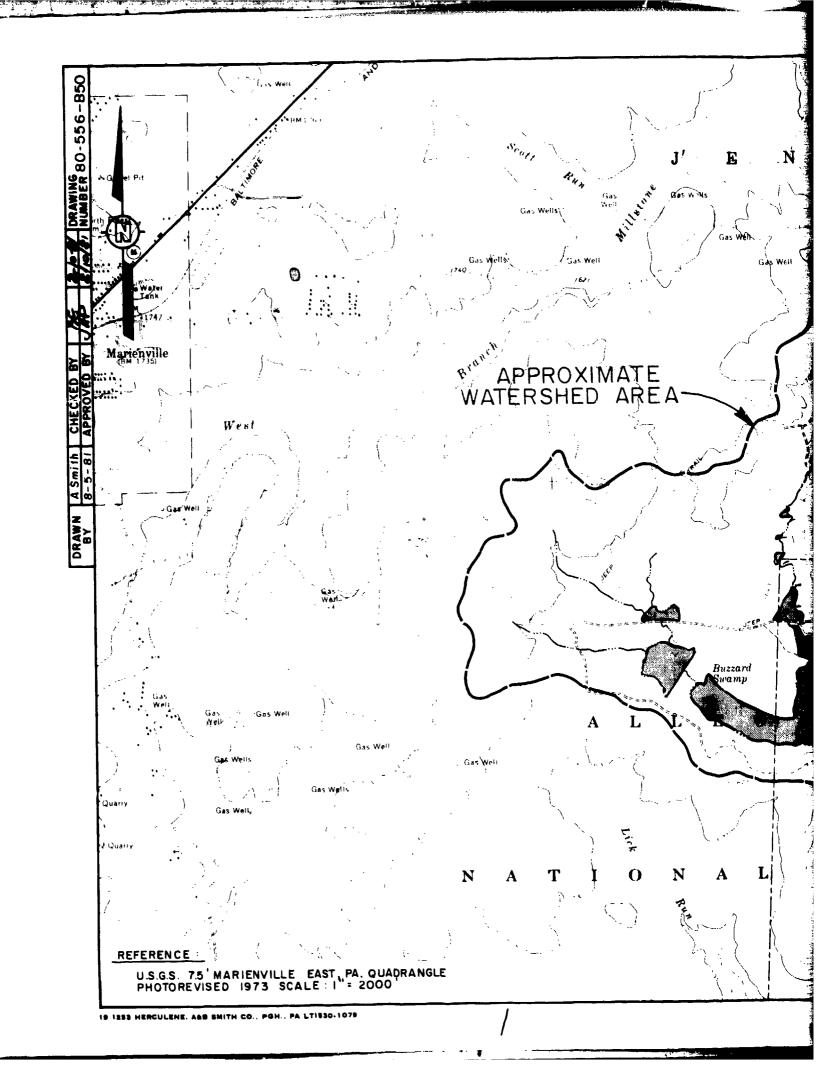
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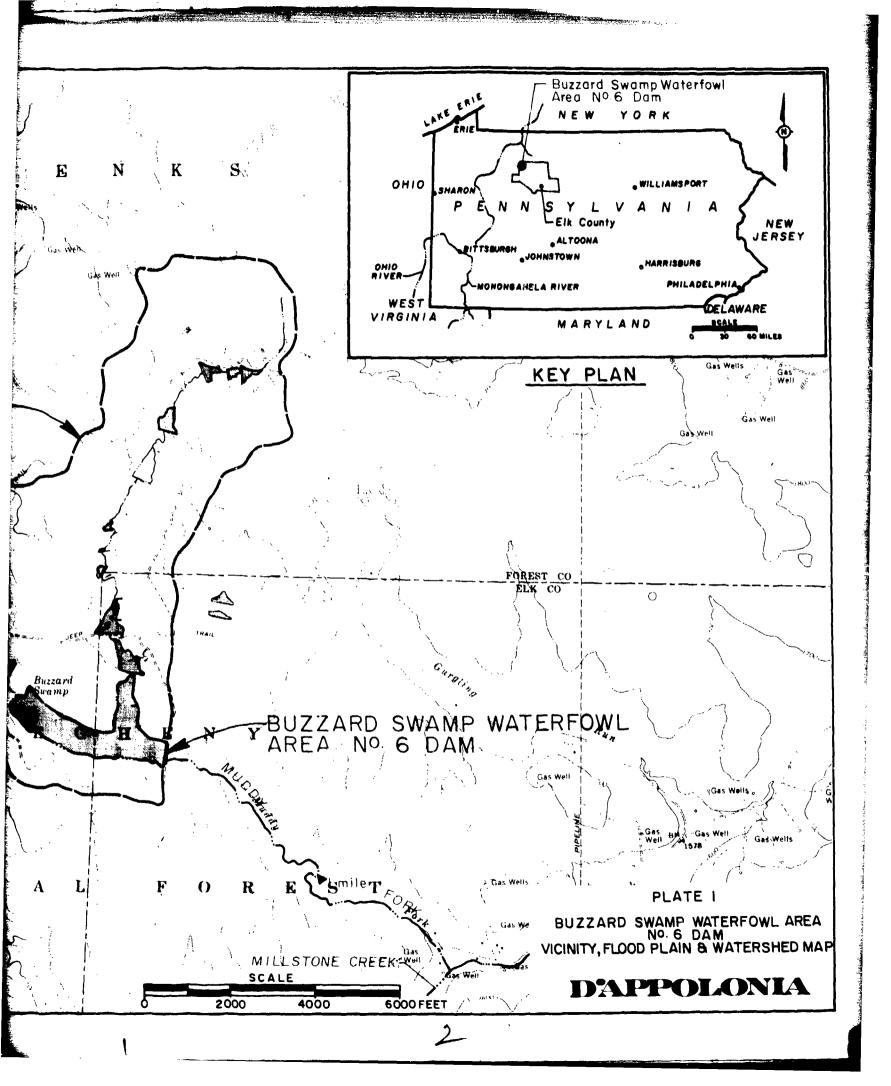
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	DURATION DVER TOP HOURS	
SPILLWAY CREST 1623.00 553.00	PAXIMUM DUTFLOW CFS	928. 1425. 1924. 2425. 2936. 3446. 4445.
INITIAL VALUE 1623.00 553.	RAKIMUR STORAGE AC-FT	716. 776. 833. 888. 942. 1045.
	HAXIMUM DEPTH OVER DAM	
ELEVATION STORAGE OUTFLOW	MAXIMUM RESERVOIN U.S.ELEV	1624.34 1624.79 1625.18 1625.55 1626.21 1626.22 1626.32
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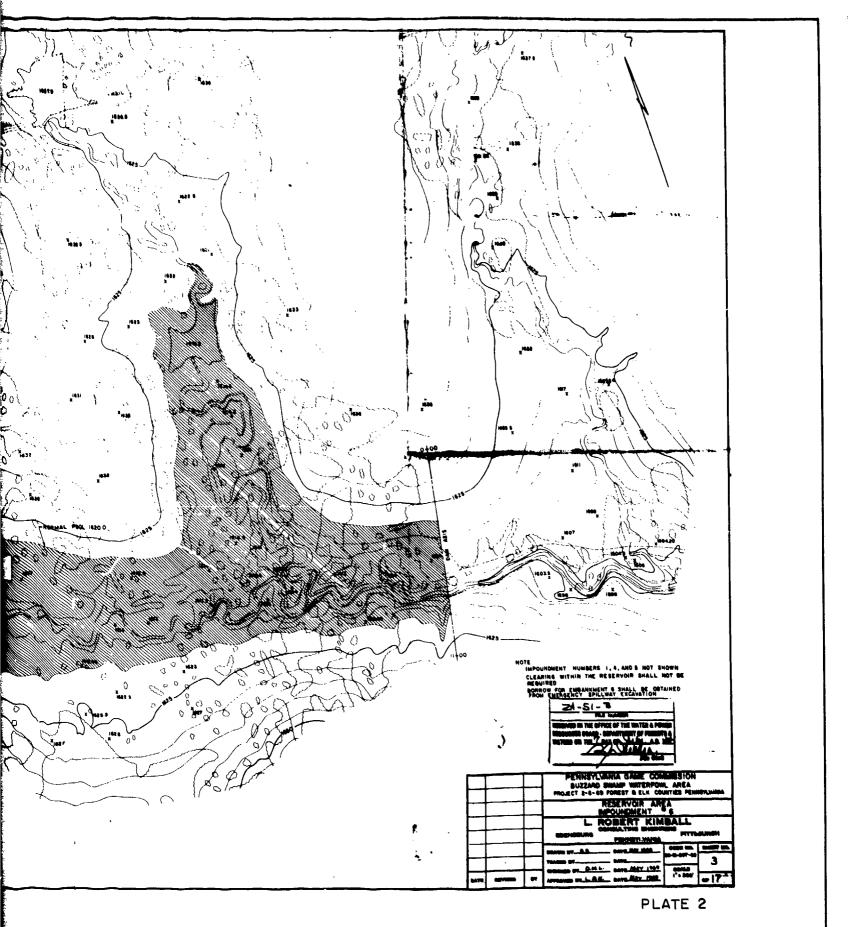
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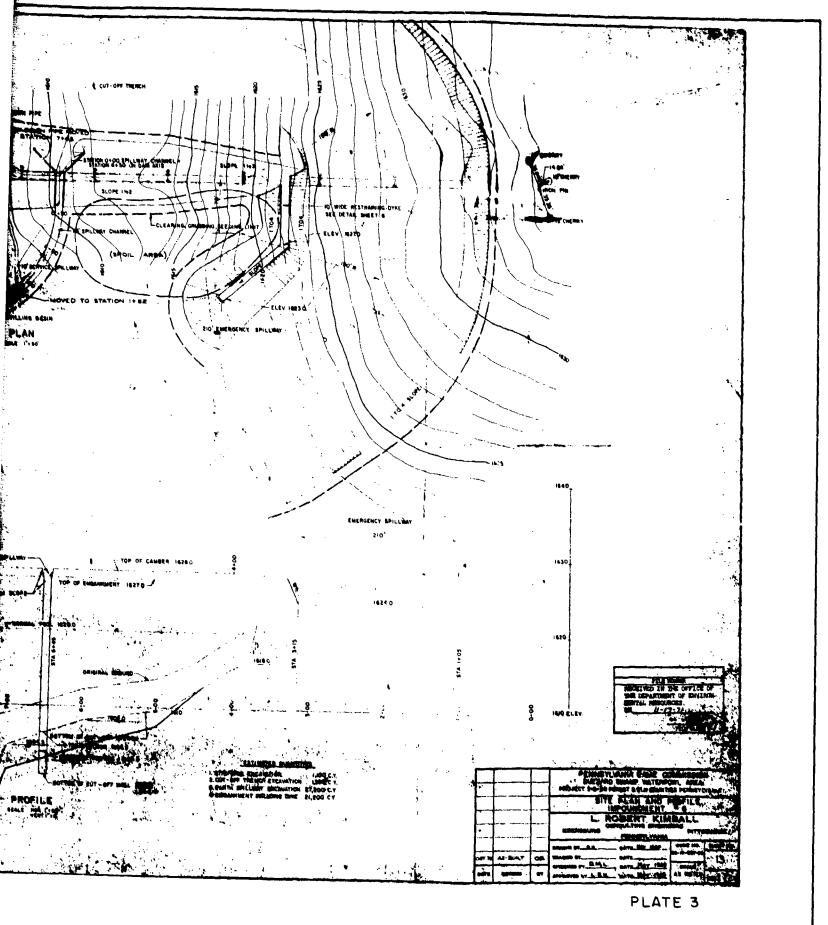
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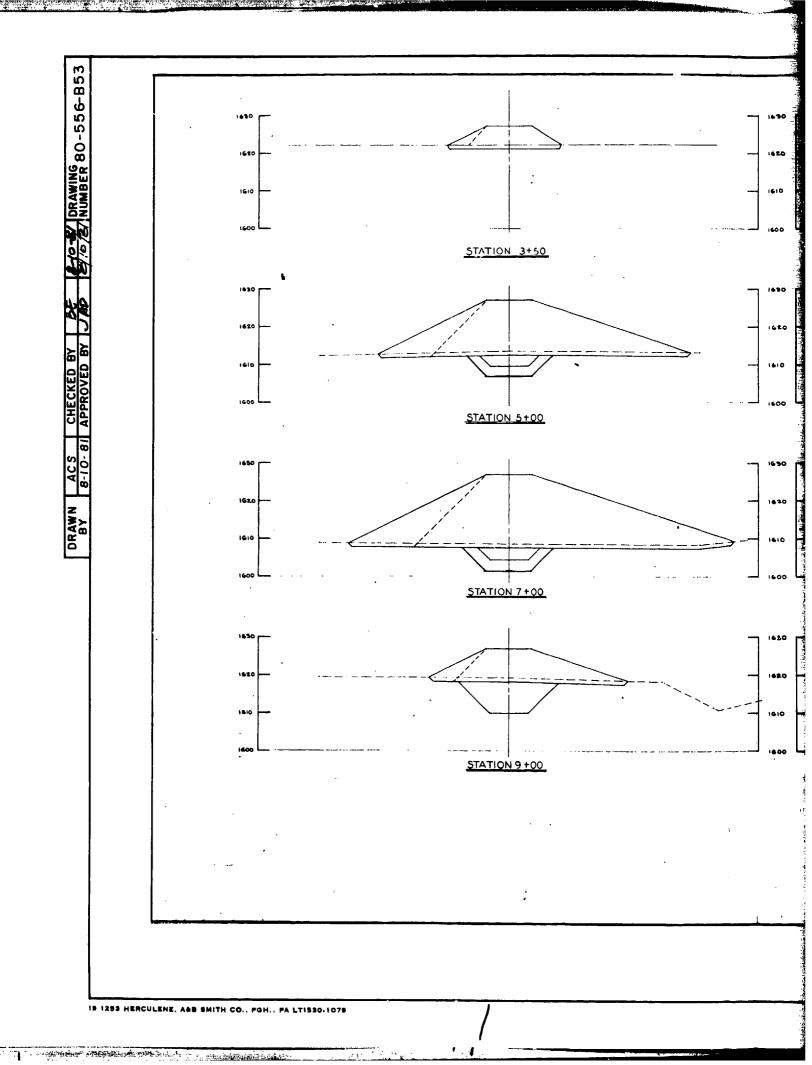
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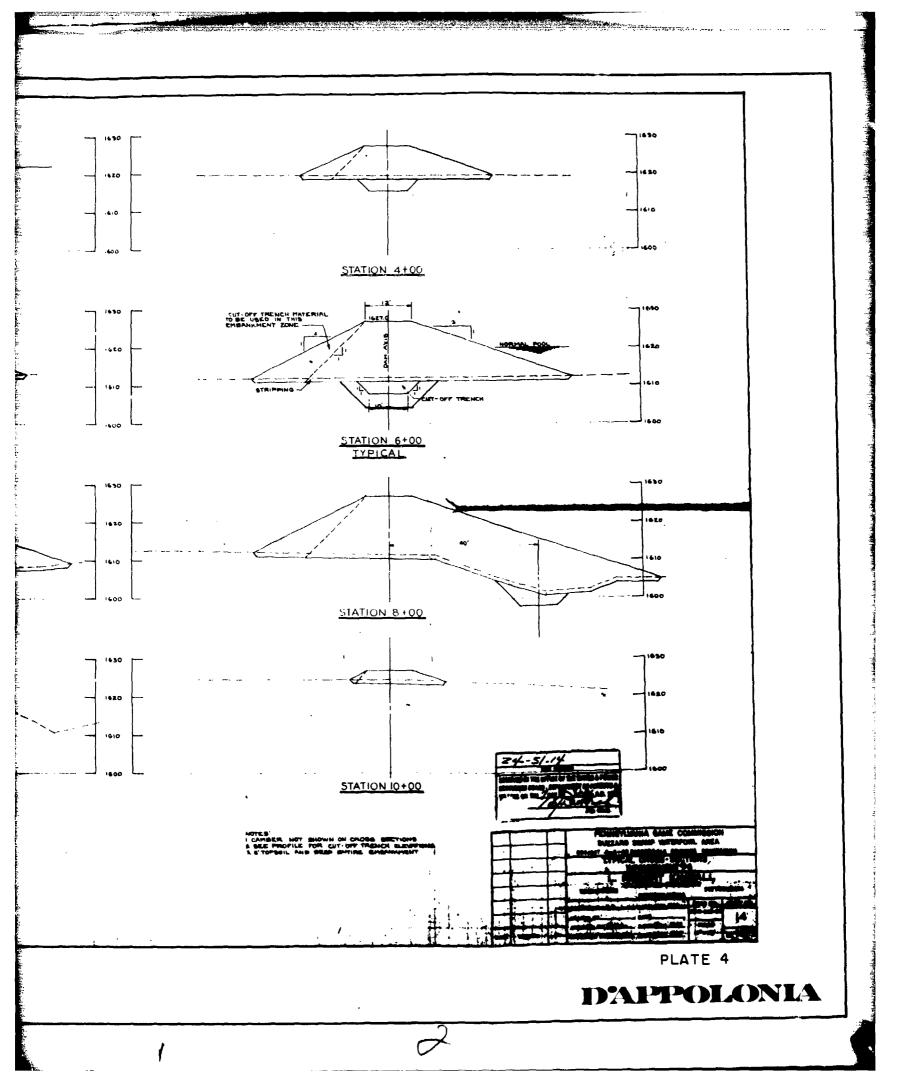
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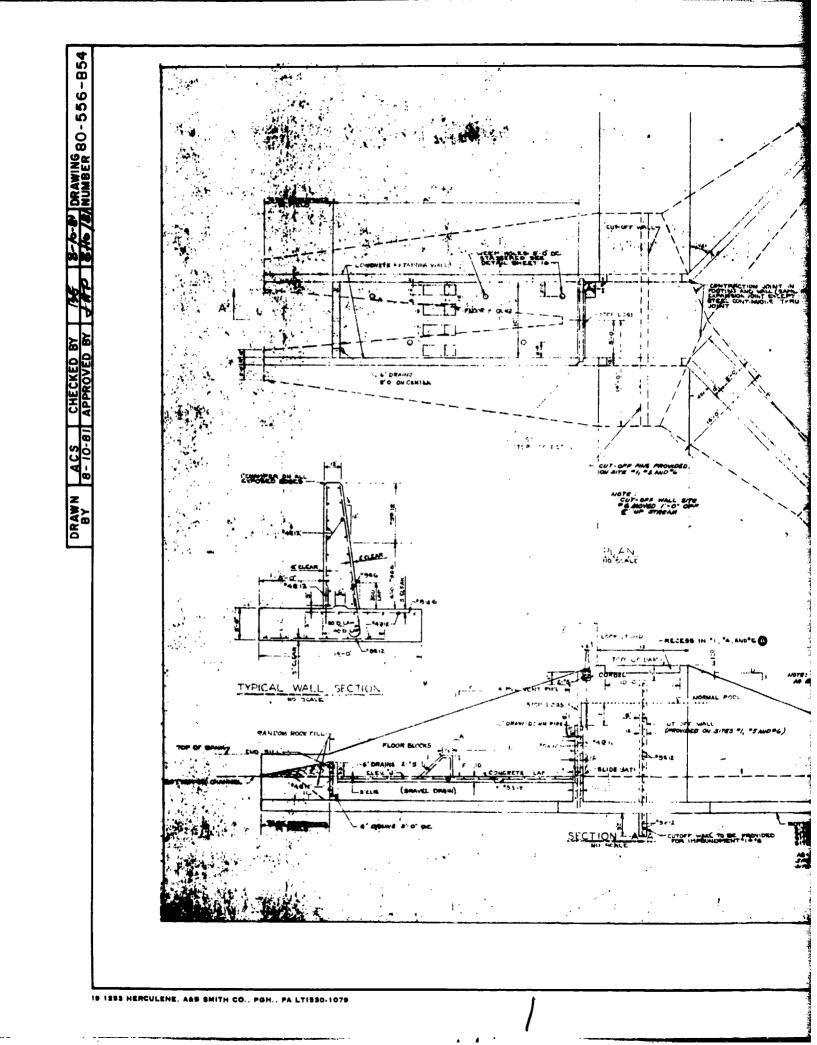
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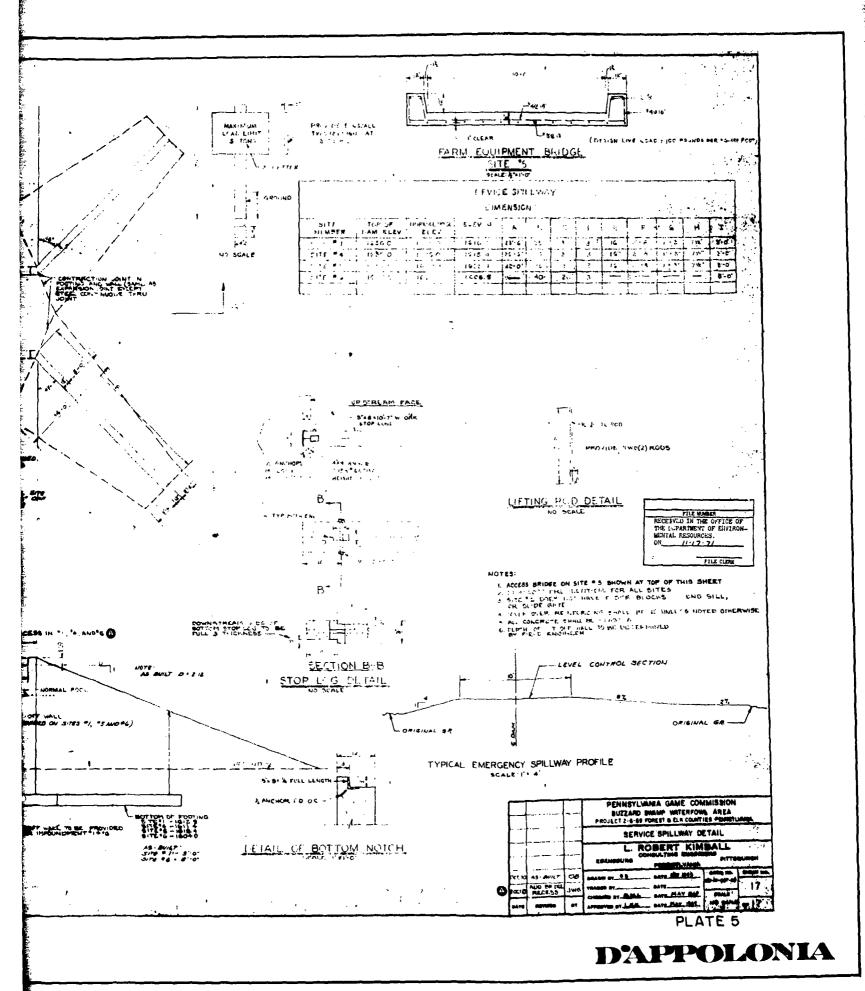


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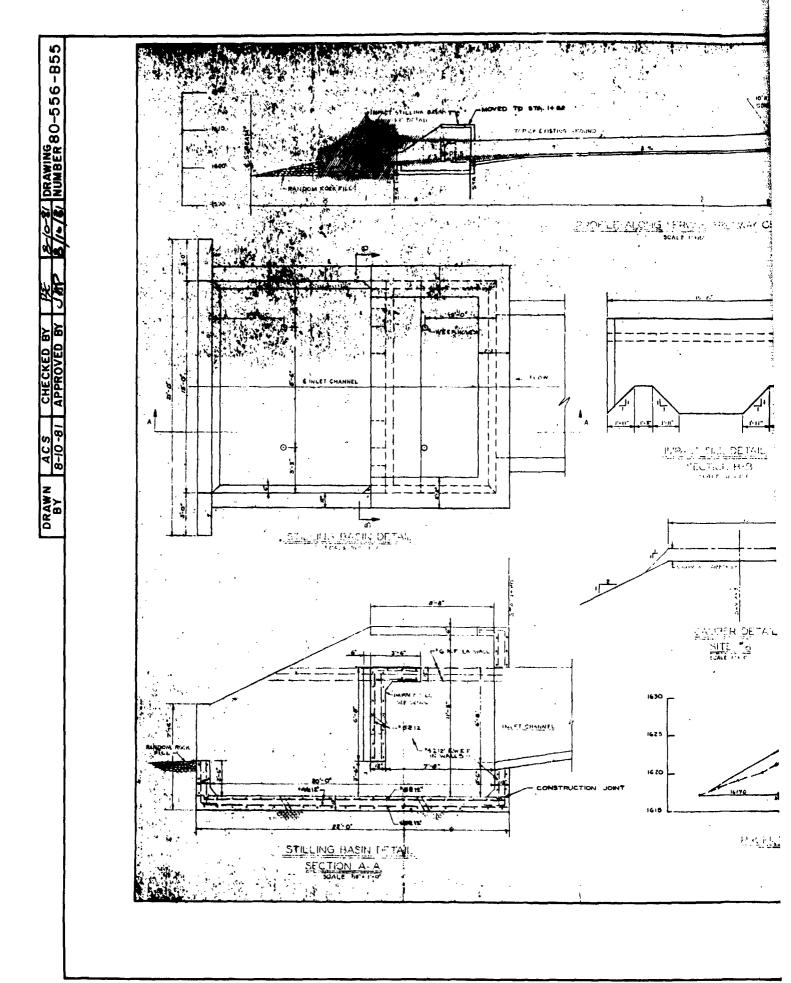


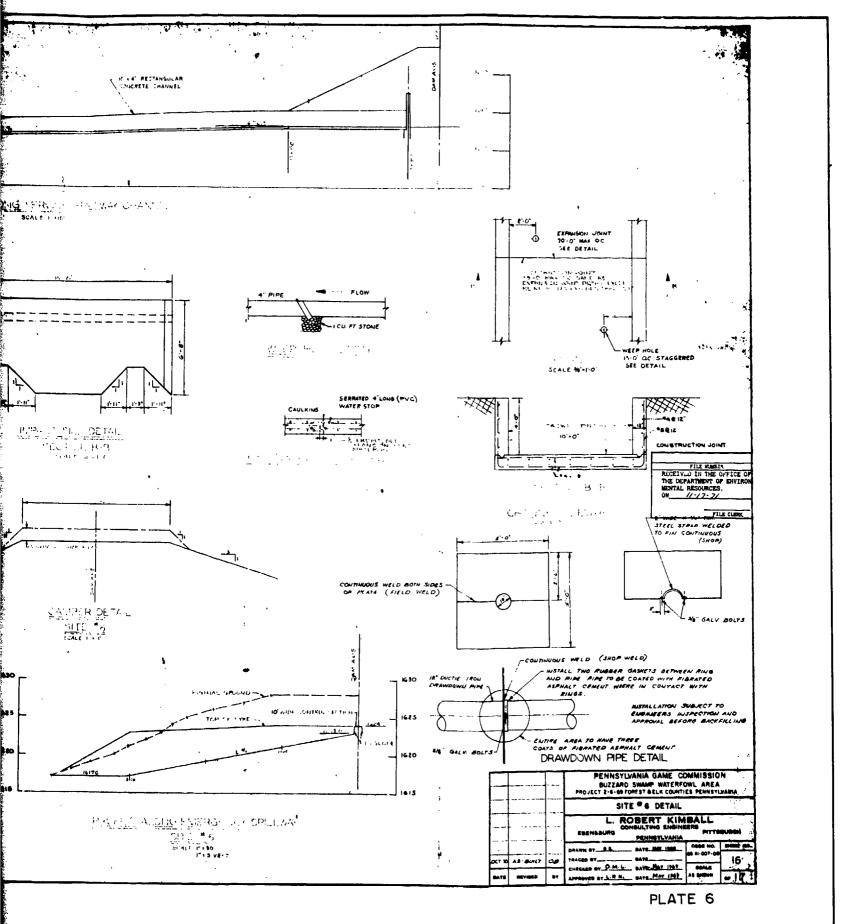




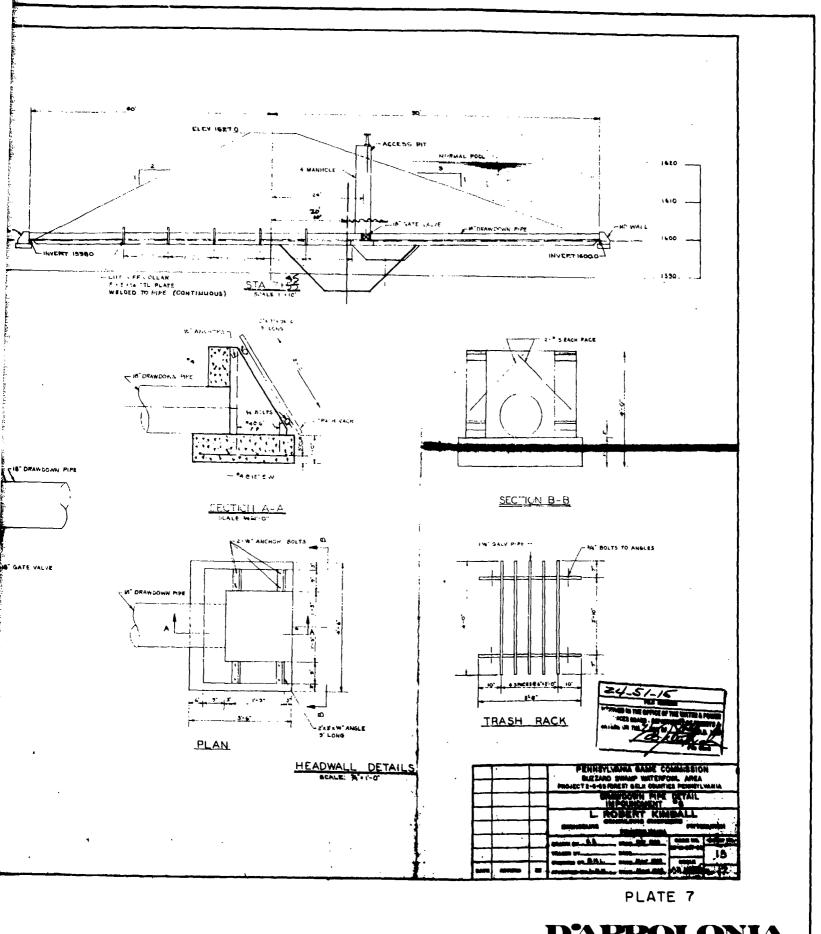


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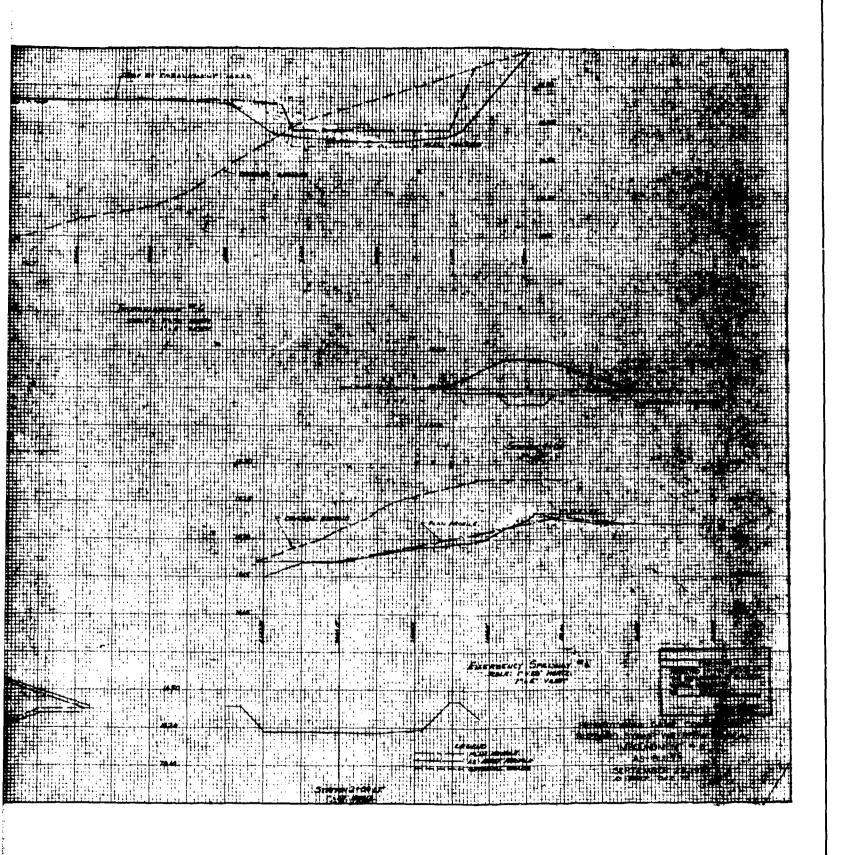
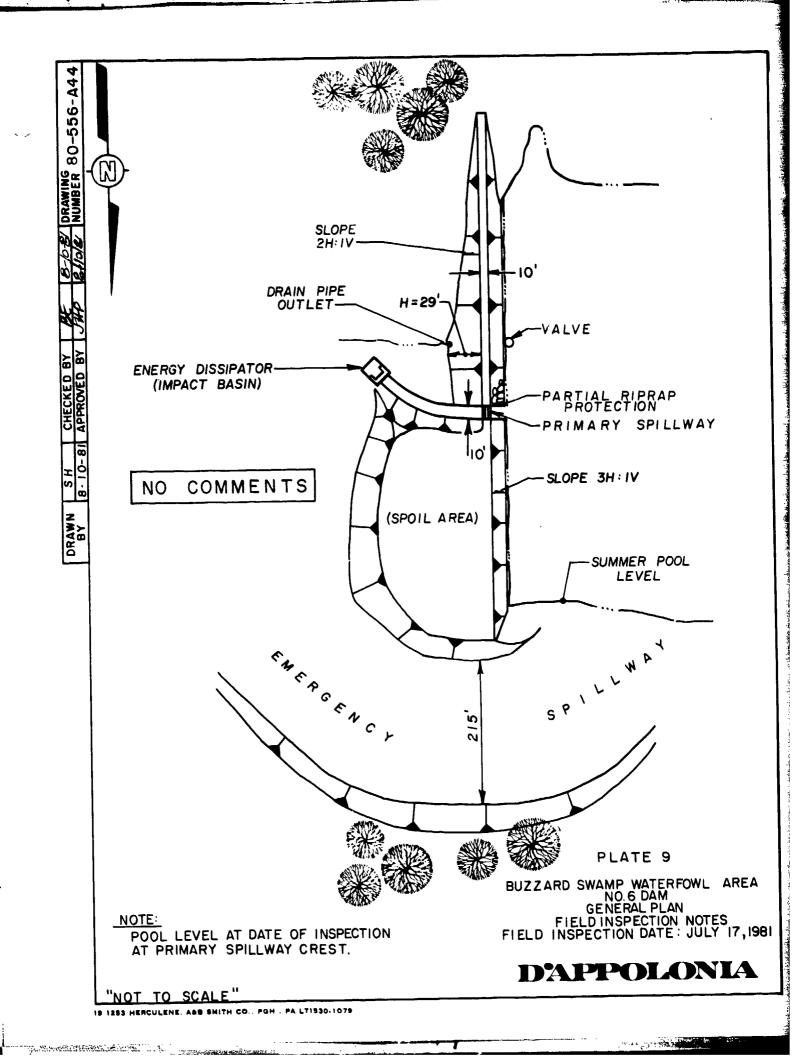
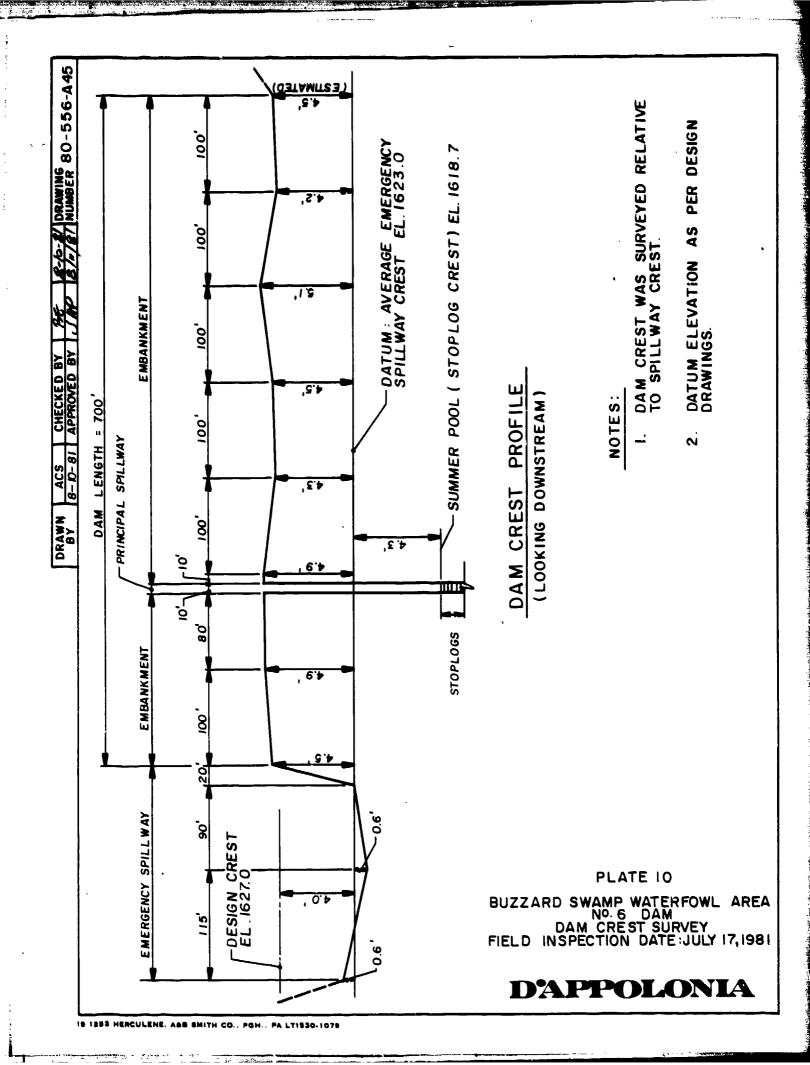


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APPENDIX F
REGIONAL GEOLOGY

REGIONAL GEOLOGY BUZZARD SWAMP WATERFOWL AREA NO. 6 DAM

The Buzzard Swamp Waterfowl Area No. 6 Dam is located in the Kanawha section of the Appalachian Plateaus physiographic province, an area characterized as a maturely dissected plateau of moderate to strong relief.

Bedrock immediately underlying the dam site is made up of Pennsylvanian Age strata commonly assigned to the Pottsville Group. This unit consists predominantly of conglomerates and sandstones, with minor amounts of shale and coal.

Rock strate in this area commonly exhibit low, open folds and can be considered horizontal for purposes of this report. Although no faulting is known to occur in the area, fractures in the form of jointing are common.

80-55 Euzzard Swamp Waterfowl Area No. 6 Dam



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Artegitery Group Cyrlie sequences of annistone, shale, lime-sonis; limestones thicken mestagard; Van-port Limestones in lower part of section; includes Frosport, Kittsunning, and Clarion Formations.

Pottaville Group

Predominantly sandstones and conflower-ates with thin shales and coals; some coals minorible locally.

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Post-Pottsville Formations

Brown or gray sandstones and shales with some conglomerate and numerous mine-able coals.

Pottaville Group

Light gray to white, course grained sand-stones and conglomerates with some mine-able coal: includes Sharp Mountain, Schuykill, and Tumbling Run Forma-tions.

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Mauch Chunk Formation

Red shales with brown to greenish gray flaggy mendatones; includes Greenbrier Impay mountains, Investment and Someracle outlines, Loyalbanna Limentone at the base in muthwestern Pranagivania



Pocono Group

Predoministing may, hard, massive, cross-bridied constances and sandstone mith nome shale; includes in the Appalachian Plateau Burgeon, Shenango, Cusakoga, Cusacuego, Corry, and Kunpp Forma-tions; includes part of "Dumps" of M. L. Fuller in Polter and Tioga counties.



Conemaugh Formation

Outermouse is of red and gray shales and adjetours with thin timestones and coals; manifer Mahoning Sandatens com-monly present at base; Ames Limestone present is middle of sections; Brush Cresh Limestone in lower part of section.

DEVONIAN UPPER

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Oswayo Formation



Catakill Formation

Chiefly rol to brownich shales and sand-stones; includes pray and presents sand-stone tongues named Elk Mountain, Honosdale, Shohela, and Dolaware River in the east.



Marine beds

marine Deus Grap to olive brown shales, grapunches, and sandsiones; contains "Chemung" beds and "Portage" beds including Burket, Brallier, Harrelt, and Trimmere Rocn; Tully Limestons at base.



Susquehanna Group

Barbed line is "Chemung-Catakill" con-tact of Second Prunsylvania Survey, County reports; barbs on "Chemung" side of line.

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